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OFFICE ACTION RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

This Response to Office Action is filed in response to the Office Action mailed January 22, 2004, objecting to claims 7-10 and rejecting claims 1-6 and 11-14. The cited references are U.S. Patent Nos. 5,578,460 (hereinafter, "Ebersole") and 5,804,384 (hereinafter, "Muller"). Applicant respectfully submits that the following amendments and remarks remove all grounds for rejection of the application, thereby placing it in condition for allowance.

Amendments to the Specification are reflected on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawing are described on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.